



TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Retro Reflective Sign Installation Overnight Ramp and Full Highway Closures Multiple Locations in Santa Clara County

Santa Clara County – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will begin a project on November 14, to install new retro-reflective sign panels on SR-17, SR-85, U.S. 101, and SR-237, I-280, I-680, I-880 at 335 locations. The project aims to replace overhead signs with higher reflective material to enhance night time visibility. There will be a total of 439 overhead sign panels throughout the county. In addition, the project will remove walkway assemblies and lighting fixtures. New signs will include the exit number information.

To ensure worker and public safety during installation, there will be various ramp and freeway closures during non-peak traffic hours. Freeway closures will typically occur between 11 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. and Caltrans will never close two consecutive ramps. It is anticipated that each sign will be replaced in one night shift. Below are a list of locations where work will occur from 11/14/16 to 12/3/16. Caltrans will make additional announcements for sign work continuing after December 3. The project will be completed in summer of 2017.

SR 17 Overnight Ramp and Highway Closures from 11/14/16 to 12/21/16

- NB-17 (9 locations) from 280/17 I/C to ½ MILE PASS HWY 9
- SB-17 (14 locations) from PRIOR TO HWY 9 to 280/ 17 I/C

SR 85 Overnight Ramp and Highway Closures from 11/21/16 to 12/3/16

- NB-85 (17 locations) from 101/ 85 I/C to MIDDLEFIELD /101
- SB-85 (13 locations) from 101/85 MIDDLEFIELD to 101/85

Please follow detour signs during closures. All work is weather permitting. The new signs are illuminated by motorists' headlights, making them more visible than traditional signage, and don't require electricity.

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For additional information regarding retro-reflective signs, watch our Caltrans Newsflash https://youtu.be/za_thqHA92I

If work is delayed due to weather conditions, it will be rescheduled. Please drive cautiously through the construction zone, leave a safe traveling distance between your vehicle and the vehicle ahead of you, and Slow for the Cone Zone.

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